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Holiday Closings noted

The Robert Lee City Hall will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 25-27, and Wednesday, January 1.

The Coke County Courthouse will be closed Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, December 24-26, and Tuesday, December 31 they will be open from 8 am-3 pm, and closed Wednesday, January 1.

The Bronte City Hall will be closed Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, December 24-26, and Wednesday, January 1.

Early deadline announced

Due to the New Year's holiday, the deadline for the January 3, 2014 issue of the Observer-Enterprise will be 12 noon Monday, December 30, 2013.

We have revised our postal permit, and the Observer/ Enterprise will publish a year in review issue on Friday, December 27, 2013. However, the office will be closed the entire week of Christmas. There are several ways to turn news and ads in during this week. The email address is o-e@wcc.net. There is a drop box by the front door of the office in Robert Lee and also a box at Bronte Hometown Hardware, LLC.

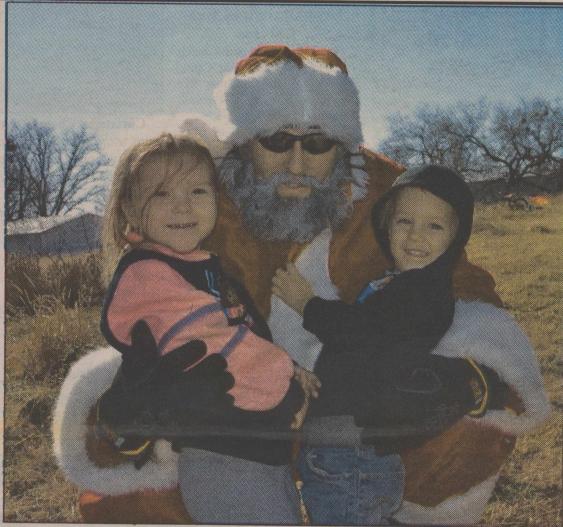
January 2 is first day to rent county facilities

The first day to rent the Robert Lee Large Recreation Hall, the Bronte Community Center, the Robert Lee and Bronte Senior Citizens Buildings, and the Robert Lee and Bronte Pavilions will be Thursday, January 2, 2014. The Coke County Judge's Office will open at 7 am to begin booking rentals. For more information, please call Lorrie at 325-453-2641.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 14, 2014, for the purpose of electing two directors.

Directors filing for re-election to the board are Jack Corley and Bob Ragsdale. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall. Friday, December 20, 2013

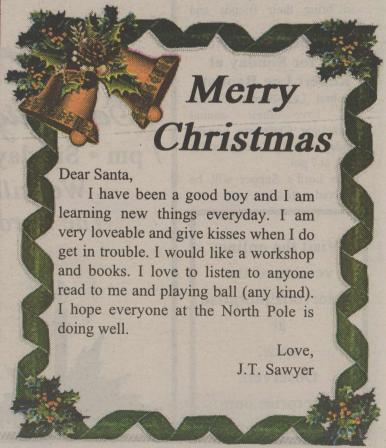


Toy Run in Coke County! These little ones in Robert Lee were just two of the Coke County children in Bronte, Robert Lee and Tennyson who received an early visit from Santa

last Saturday morning. But this Santa didn't arrive in a sleigh pulled by reindeer. He came roaring into Coke County on a big Harley Davidson motorcycle, accompanied by an army of bearded elves in leather uniforms aboard their own loud machines. Joining Santa's parade through the county were many other elves in cars and trucks, all with a fire truck leading the way. The Toy Run is an annual event which began with the Forgiven Ministries Biker Church in San Angelo several years ago. With the beginning of Forgiven Ministries in Bronte, this is Bronte's third year to be included and a first for both Robert Lee and Tennyson.



Happy Shoppers! These lovely ladies were part of the crowd waiting for the door to open for Main Street Market's Annual 1/2 Price Sale. Originally scheduled for December 7th during Christmas in Bronte, the sale had to be postponed because of the icy weather. Even though the sale's new date was Friday the 13th, shoppers came out to enjoy the great prices and a chance to catch up with friends.



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Death Notices

Casarez

Anzelmuz "Moses" Casarez, 69, passed away after a brief illness at Midland Memorial Hospital on December 11, 2013. Funeral Services were held at 10 AM on Friday, December 13, 2013 at Andrews-Corgill Funeral Home Chapel with burial followed at Andrews North Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Andrews-Corgill Funeral Home, 201 NE 1st Street, Andrews, TX 79714.

Grubenman

Martha Frances Smith Grubenman passed away December 11, 2013.

She was born in Robert Lee, Texas, May 11, 1927, to Frank & Golda Smith.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years Carl, children Carla and husband Bruce, Kyle and wife Lynne, John and wife Rebecca and four grandchildren.

She leaves us with fabulous memories. A celebration of life will be held later. Memorials may be made to Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance, 800-225-6872

Cantata set for **Pecan Baptist Church**

The First Baptist Church of Mertzon will be presenting their Christmas Cantata "Bethlehem Morning" at Pecan Baptist Church on Sunday, December 22, 2013, at 6 pm.

Everyone is invited to attend and bring their friends and

Candlelight Service set for Sunday at Robert Lee Baptist

Robert Lee Baptist Church will have their annual Candlelight Christmas Service Sunday evening, December 22, 2013, at 7 pm.

The Lord's Supper will be observed at this time.

Visit the online version of the Observer/Enterprise at www. Observer/ Enterprise.com

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Bronte Methodist to have Christmas Eve Service

First United Methodist Church in Bronte will host their Carols and Candlelight Christmas Eve Service Tuesday evening, December 24, at 6 pm.

Everyone is invited to come and bring the whole family.

2013 District 8 Division 2 All-District posted 1st Team

Newcomer of the Year

Bruce Buddin, Sophomore, Robert Lee

Offensive MVP

Jayden Jones, Senior, Blackwell

Defensive MVP

Matthew Lowry, Senior, Blackwell

Offense

Tight Ends:

Wade Allen, Junior, Blackwell Oakley Anderson, Senior, Blackwell

Wide Receivers:

Ted Chambliss, Senior, Blackwell

Tristen Hildebrand, Junior, Robert Lee



Christmas Cheer! Tammy Boyce, owner of Bronte's General Store, shared her Christmas spirit with her customers and all those who came to Bronte to participate in the Toy Run last Saturday morning. Hot chocolate and coffee, along with baked treats, helped chase away the frosty nip in the morning air.

Center:

James Roberts, Junior, Robert

Matthew Meyer, Junior, Blackwell

Quarterback:

Matthew Lowry, Senior, Blackwell

Running Backs:

Franck Cano, Junior,

Blackwell Mychael Tijerina, Junior,

Robert Lee

Full Back: Mason Magness, Senior,

Blackwell Spreadback:

Will Howard, Senior, Robert

Utility Back:

Jake Jackson, Sophomore, Robert Lee

Kicker:

Wade Allen, Junior, Blackwell Special Teams Player:

Franck Cano, Junior, Blackwell

Defense

Noseguard:

Mychael Tijerina, Junior,

Robert Lee

Defensive Lineman:

Mason Magness, Senior, Blackwell

Franck Cano, Junior, Blackwell

Kaleb Edwards, Senior, Blackwell

Linebackers:

Jayden Jones, Senior, Blackwell

Efrain Olguin, Senior, Robert

Lee Cornerbacks:

Ted Chambliss, Senior,

Blackwell Ethan Andrews, Senior,

Blackwell

Safeties: Will Howard, Senior, Robert

Michael Curry, Senior, Robert

Utility Player: Kevin Saucedo, Senior, Robert

Come As You Are



Sunday Mornings • 10 am



Recovery Meetings • Monday 7 pm

Downtown Bronte • Across from Grocery Store Russ Frasier, Preacher

You Are Welcome At The



Candlelight Geroice

7 pm • Sunday, December 22 We will observe The Lord's Supper.



Robert Lee Baptist Church 22 W Eleventh Street

Robert Lee, Texas (325) 453-2724 www.robertlee.org

Area Churches Invite You to Worship Bronte Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Brone (325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm Central Baptist Church (325) 473-4811 Dale Patterson, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm Worship Wed. 6 pm First Baptist Church 424S. Washington Broug (325) 473-2331 Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship,

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting Corner of Washington & Holmes Bronte (325) 473-3281 Rev. Everette Boyce, Pastor Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Forgiven Ministries 117 W. Main, Bronte Russ Frasier, Pastor Sun. 10 am St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sun. 5 pm

Coke County Pecan Baptist PO Box 542 •12 miles West of Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy (325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Minister www.pecanbaptist.org Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

United Christians Fellowship PO Box 938 • Robert Lee Rec Hall (325) 453-2468 Ed Zimmerman, Minister Sunday 10 am Sunday School, 11 am Worship

Robert Lee **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 • 1019 Cokrado Cry Hwy Robert Lee • (325) 453-2360 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm First United Methodist Church PO Box 144 -9th & Chadbourne Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am Worship 5:00 pm Chou Practice Iglesia Baûtista Betel 101 Houston • Robert Lee

Sun. 9:55 am • Sunday School 11 am • Service & Chikhen s Church Fri. 7 pm • Bible Study Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2176 Jordan Arnold, Preacher Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm. Worship Northside Church of Christ PO Box 508 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee (325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or (325) 473-1053 Services: Sun. 10 am

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic

Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor

Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Danny White, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Victory Assembly of God PO Box 638 6th & Houston, Robert Lee (325) 453-2208 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

Tennyson Baptist Church Hwy 277 • Tennyson (325) 473-2040 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Horns shoot past Christoval, Winters

The Bronte Longhorns defeated the Christoval Cougars, 48-43.

Statistics include: Josh Puentez 17 points; Ty Lee 13 points and 6 rebounds; Lance Mizael Perez 4 points; Stetson Emfinger 4 points; Jared Scott 3 points and 3 steals; Ean Ward 2 points and 4 rebounds; and Kyler Richards 3 assists.

The Horns also defeated the Winters Blizzards, 43-42.

Statistics include: Josh Puentez 12 points and 4 rebounds; Jared Scott 9 points, 7 rebounds and 3 assists; Ty Lee 9 points, 6 rebounds and 3 assists; Lance Burns 6 points Application Available and 4 rebounds; Ean Ward 4 points, 8 rebounds and 3 steals; and Mizael Perez 3 points and 4 rebounds.

Lady Steers defeat Water Valley, Bronte

The Robert Lee Lady Steers defeated the Water Valley Lady Wildcats, 43-34.

Statistics include:

Scoring

Bianca Huapilla 19, Brady Clawson 11, Pammy Meeks 8, Kassie O'Dell 5

Rebounding

Pammy Meeks 16, Bianca Huapilla 7, Brady Clawson 6, Karlee Roach 4, Kassie O'Dell 3

Assist

Pammy Meeks 5 **Blocked Shots**

Brady Clawson 5, Pammy Meeks 2

Steals

Kassie O'Dell 6, Pammy Meeks 4

The Lady Steers also defeated their Coke County rivals, the Bronte Lady Longhorns, in a close game, 29-28.

Statistics include:

Scoring

Brady Clawson 10, Bianca Huapilla 9, Pammy Meeks 8, Kassie O'Dell 2

Rebounding

Brady Clawson 11, Pammy Meeks 7, Bianca Huapilla 6, Karlee Roach 4, Kassie O'Dell

Assists

Brady Clawson 3, Kassie O'Dell 2

Blocked Shots

Brady Clawson 3, Pammy Meeks 1

Steals

Kassie O'Dell 2, Bianca Huapilla 2, Karlee Roach 2, Pammy Meeks 2, Brady Clawson 1

The Lady Steers now have a 5-2 season record and are 2-0 in District.

Lady Dogies defeat Bronte

On Thursday, December 12, 2013, the Robert Lee Junior High Lady Dogies "B" team defeated the Bronte Lady Shorthorns "B" team 22-7...

Scoring for the Lady Dogies were Chelsea Wyatt 2, Kaylee Puentez 8, Samantha Roe 8, Aimee Zimmerman 2, and Meghan Bohannon 2.

The Lady Dogies "A" team also defeated the Bronte Lady Shorthorns "A" team 41-9.

Scoring for the Lady Dogies

were Kelby Clawson 4, Autumn Ramon 6, Megan Grantham 6, Kourtney Roach 10, Jessie Wheat 5, Mariah Munoz 8, and Kiara Burns 2.

RLJH Dogies fall to Bronte

On Thursday, December 12, Burns 5 points and 3 steals; 2013, the Robert Lee Junior High Dogies "A" team were defeated by the Bronte Shorthorns "A" team, 13-38.

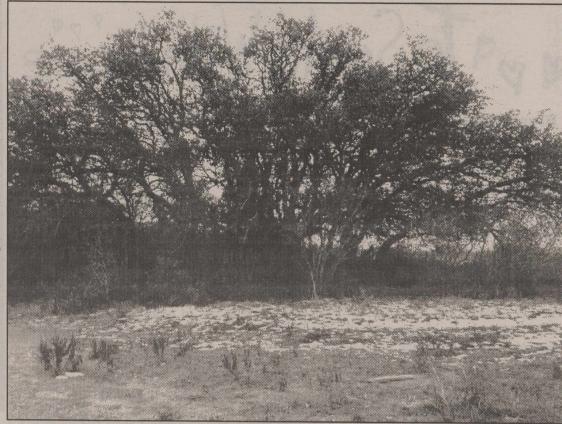
> Scoring for the Dogies were AJ Minjarez 2, Tavo Rangel 2, Braden Richardson 2, Daniel Mendoza 2, Bubba Bohannon 3, and Billy Coppedge 2.

San Angelo Area Foundation Scholarship January 1, 2014

The San Angelo Area Foundation's 2014 scholarship application is now available through March 1, 2014, for fall of 2014.

Interested students can apply www.saafound.org, by clicking on the "Scholarships"

The San Angelo Area Foundation manages over 80 scholarship funds, created by generous donors for the benefit of students. The student need only complete one online application and each scholarship



A Week Later! Unlike our normal winter precipitation which is usually gone by noon the students attending college in the next day, patches of the ice which came down the first week of December were still on the ground one week later.

is awarded based on a variety of qualifications unique to each scholarship fund. Scholarship awards are announced in early

If you have any questions during the application process, please contact our office either email, scholarship@saafound.org or by calling (325) 947-7071.



HOLIDAY **CLOSING NOTICE**

Holiday Hours: All facilities of this bank will close at 1 pm Tuesday, December 24. All facilities of this bank will also be closed Wednesday, December 25.

In Observance Of

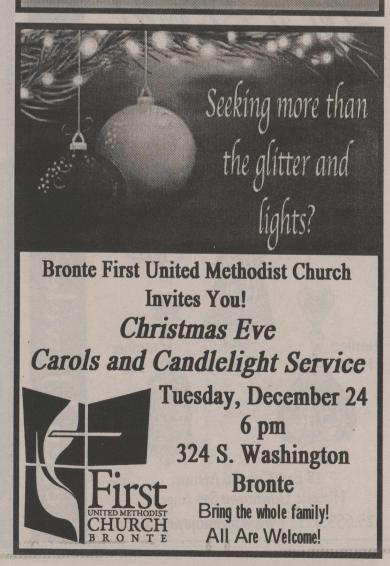


Christmas

Please plan your banking requirements during regular banking hours to avoid any inconvenience.

Robert Lee State Bank

Member FDIC 453-2545 Robert Lee, Texas



lo Santa, With Love

Bronte Elementary Pre-K

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a little dirt bike, motorcycle, and some new shoes. I would also like a red train. How do your reindeer fly? I love you.

> Love, Andrew Rico

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a baby doll, markers and white board, and some coloring books. Also would you bring me some books and cartoon videos.

> Love, Morigan Holland

Dear Santa.

Could you please bring me a John Deer Truck, a bow and arrow, and a blue scooter, and a big train. I have an elf named Jonah. Sometimes I am good.

> Love, Conner Garcia

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a doctor suit and all the doctor tools they use. I also want a white car. I love you!

> Love, Alex Casilias

Dear Santa,

My name is Fabian. Could you please bring me a puzzle, some red and blue cars. I would also like many books to read. I love you!

> Love, Fabian Lopez

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a Barbie with a horse, Barbie dress, and a baby doll with clothes that sleeps. Santa, are the reindeer ready for their trip on Christmas Eve?

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a dirt bike, a fake roping bull and a new rope, and a Nobbie. Santa, I really like my elf, BoJangles! I have been really good!

> Love, Julian DeLaGarza

Dear Santa.

Could you please bring me a baby stroller, doll clothes for my American Doll, and an ipod touch. Santa, do you have an elf named Susie Q? I have been a really really good girl.

> Love, Brylee Torres

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a timer, a Buzz Lightyear, a blue toy car, and a cowboy. What kind of deer is Rudolph?

> Love. Johnny Reyes

Dear Santa.

My name is Zoey. Could you please bring me a EZ Bake Oven, a real friends kitty cat, and a toy sewer so I can make my kitty a bed. How do the reindeer fly. I love you!

Zoey Neal

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me some puzzles, books to read and a blue car. I have been a good boy. I want to know all your reindeer names. I love you!

Love, J.J. Pena

Dear Santa,

My name is Taylor. Please bring me a Doc McStuffin, playdough and a Barbie. Santa, how do the reindeer fly. I have been a good girl and a big girl too!

Love,

Dear Santa.

I love you! Could you please bring me some play tattoos, some board games to play with my family and the movie Frozen. Do your elves make toys? I have been really good.

Braylie Morris

Dear Santa,

My name is Morgan. Could you please bring me some books to read, a baby with a stroller and diapers. Thank you for my presents!

Love,

Morgan Sullivan

Kindergarten Dear Santa,

I would like a feld weldr so I can mak a car. I ned a drt bik to. I ned a helment to. I will be saf!

Izaac Kincannon

Dear Santa,

I want a bow and arros, and a rel hors and fish. I ned a baby donke too. I love you!

Cheyenne Blackwell Dear Santa,

I wood like a robot car, a dinosor robot and a helicopter Love, with a bom that drops. Merry Christmas.

> Raymond Williams Dear Santa,

> I want a leppad and a ras track and a big candy cane ful of gumballs. My baby sister neds a cabage patch baby dol like Landrey and me.

Maddie Schoenfield



Christmas Cheer! Taylor (left) and Tucker Rose appear to have enjoyed their visit with Santa Claus last week. The boys are the sons of Kayli and Travis Rose of Robert Lee.

Dear Santa,

I would like sum macup and a Rudolf hi.

Lawsynn Sanchez

Dear Santa,

I woud like sum plado, a prete braselts. Merry Christmas I love am lerning to read.

Caelyn Ball Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

is on the naughty and nice list? **Adyson Gonzales** Dear Santa,

I want a baskit ball hoop, a boey barbe and 2 tabls for my pipe to do in the ground because barbees. Merry Chrustmas. Tel I am building a swimming pool. I need tile too.

Hondo Burton

Dear Santa

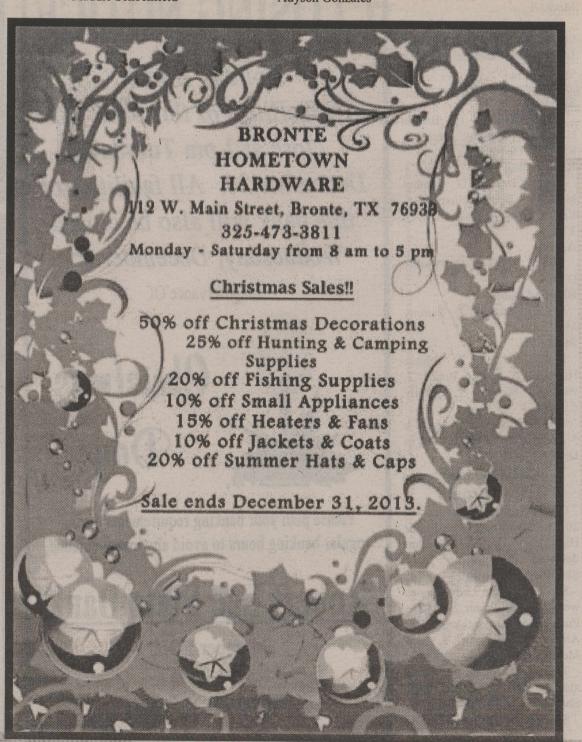
I want a Batman toy and buxs dres and erings. My sistrs want and sum reindeer that can fli. I

Joel Pena

I want a robot dog that looks I want a robot with a remot like my dog Harley that has a control and a talking pumpkin remot control, a necklace and and a snowglob. Dear Santa who braclet maker. I love you.

Treyton McCullough





Dear Santa,

I wont a zoomer dog, a Barbe horz, and a Barbe dol. How r the Rander? I love you.

Grace Jernigan

Dear Santa,

I wunt a punchng bag, skwenkes and baskit ball gol. Thank you and Meryy Christmas.

Parker Holland

Dear Santa,

I wud lik a Brbe and a tralr for horses and a Brbe car. How is Rudolf? I love you.

Razaiah Jacques

Dear Santa,

I want a bisekl to ride, a prete prinses dres and a babe doll with a bed. How is Rudolf? I love you!

Zoeie Duffer

Dear Santa,

I want a pink randeer, a Christmas cat and pig that has a crown I live by the school in a new hous! I love you!

Shaylee Bilbrey

Dear Santa,

I want a baskit ball game, a rel doll that goes under the woter, and pattern blocks. I love Santa Claus.

I long rentangian Hailey Beal

Dear Santa,

I want a wooden wagon that I can pull things with. I need a toy truck. Merry Christmas.

Tripp Baughman

Dear Santa,

I want a crok escape, and shark Thomas and ninja turtles. I have been very good. I love

Bubba Bannert

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas a remote control air plane and a boxer robot and remote control helicopter.

Noah Garcia

Dear Santa,

I would like a dirt bike and a motorsikl. I wil ned a helmint and glovs. I wil be saf. I love you!

Santi Alvear

Don't Miss the 2013 Year in Review issue coming out next Friday!



Bronte Elementary 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want make up with Santa on it, a pet frog, and a guitar with Santa on it.

> Love, Abby

Dear Santa,

I will love a 3 magic marker, and I want a chapter book, and I want mack up with randers on

> Love, Donna

Dear Santa,

How is Santa and Mrs. Claus? Are you having fun? Please bring me a nobi and a brown horse, and stompies.

Thank you, November

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a monster high doll, and Zoomer the Amazing dog, and a Bad Kitty stuffed animal?

Jorja

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope Rudolph ** White Market is ready for flying. I want Y-Flicker to ride, Zoomer, an da Christmas tree for my room. Do you have a Christmas tree? How's Mrs. Claus doing?

Mystyk

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a pet blue turtle with cage? How are you?

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me some stars, Zoomers, and a Skylanders? We will be a sleep by the time you are here. My house is in Bronte, Texas. I miss you.

Dear Santa,

Can I have mak-up and da ipod and Rudoloh and a star with sparkles? I love you Santa and a toy dog and I have been very good this year! If you are him.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? Could 1 please have a I pod? Could I please have some make up?

Dear Santa.

How are you? I hope the reindeer are ready to fly! I have been very good this year! I would like you to bring me a knife, Air Jordan's, new clothes, pet frog, and I pod, and new

> Love, Caleb

Colton

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a flashlight friend, a pet puppy, and my baby brother to grow up? That is all I want for Christmas. I hope you have a great Christmas.

Please bring me a green Crayola marker with a sprayer and a tank with a tracer too, a blue flashlight friend, pet turtle with a cage, a green glow pet too.

Warren



Christmas Cheer! The Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose drawing for the large flat screen television was held Monday morning, December 16, at Floyd C. Petitt Insurance. Ashley Braswell drew the winning ticket - Debbie Massey of Robert Lee.

This 'N That Shop

Wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Gifts - Past and Present

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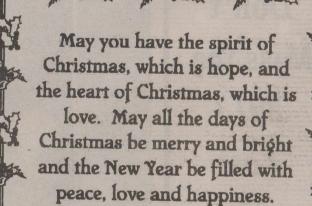
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Wishing Coke County a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Clark & Noel Tinkler





From:

The Board of Commissioners of the Robert Lee Housing Authority

Bobbie Allen Brenda Ellis William Hood Joe Longoria Yvonne Devoll and the Employees Grace Todacheeny, Executive Director

Martin Landeros, Maintenance



For unto us a child is born!

As Christmas approaches once again, may we welcome the Christ Child into our hearts & homes. God's Blessing to You at Christmas.

Paul, Susan & Jael Williams

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a a pair of socks?

· Dear Santa,

doing? I want a black bike, boom ferby. Merry Christmas. ipod, ipad, and Bla Blades and ring.

Cole

Dear Santa,

for the stuff.

Emery

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me see Rudolph.

2nd Grade

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a phone, drums, guitars, and my brother would like a xbox with games. Xoxoxo I love Santa!

Tryntin Parnell PS. I would like cloths for my hole family!

reindeers? I hope it's not so mutch trouble. I would like a phone. I want a new mattress because mine is hard. Wold you like a hard mattress. I wold like an ipad with a 3D movie with 3D glasses and a belt. Allso about that ipod. Can you geive my sister one too because she dropped and cract it. I would like a elektrik scooter please.

> Love, Ryana

Dear Santa.

What would you want my glow pet and a phone case, and present to be? Santa please may I have twinkle toese. Allso an Anna Elf on the shelf. Cool shirts and cool pants. Cute jewelry and How are you and Mrs. Claus zoomer new clean doll house. A

Jaclyn Broadbent

Dear Santa,

I want a skateboard. And I want to see your slegh, reindeer, I want a Nobi and Bad Kitty and elves. I want a toy books. I love you. Thanks you motorcycle. That I can drive. And the game nobee.

Joey Goddard love Santa

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I some for real toy dog? I want to would like to have a phone and another furbie. And can you give Hannah some clothes to my mom? Can you give me some cowgirl boots? O can you say hi to Rudolph for me. Merry Christmas and a Happy New

Ambree Mcginnis

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a toy quidzooka and a xbox360 with dead rising 3 please. And brothers in the Army xbox360 How are you and the game. Blackops war game please.

> Your friend, Dayton

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a American doll for Christmas. I would love that. I'm going to give you a surprise. A hint: two pieces of paper. Anyways have a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely, **Emily**

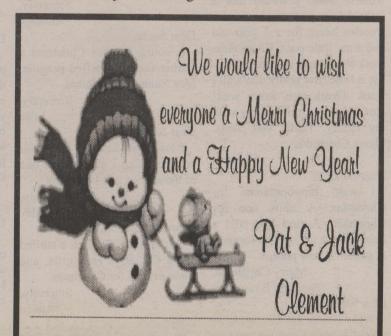


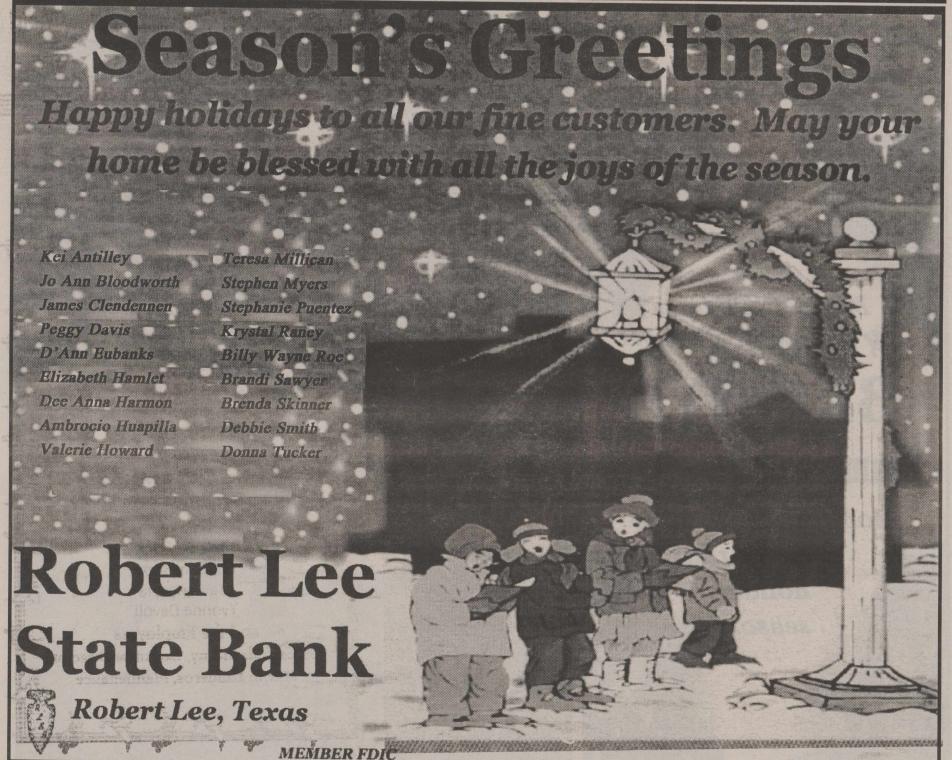
Robert Lee Elementary Christmas Concert! Mrs. Sterling Myers and her Robert Lee Elementary music students presented a wonderfully entertaining Christmas concert last week.

Dear Santa,

How is rodoff? I hope he is doing good. How are you? What I want for Christmas is a snow globe that sings a tune. Next I want those long monster high shoes. Then I want new clothes and a new journal with a lock and a key. And a furbie boom. Then Modie wants a new scooter. Then I want to see you in my room and wake me up to see you. Next I want five turtles. And that is all.







a pa To Santa, With La

Dear Santa,

I would like an electric scooter please. And a guitar and my brother wants a robot please.

Merry Christmas,

Ryan Aguirri

Dear Santa,

I would like a toy combine. I would also like a toy pickup truck. How is Rudolph? I hope you have a good Christmas.

Brayden Graves

Dear Santa,

This year it has been so cold and Christmas is around the corner. So I'll tell you now what I want. I would like a ferby boom and maybe a new wooden horse for a 7 year old and a my little pony Bilder Bear work shop plush toy. I know my list is little. But really that's all I want. Thank you Santa wait! Just one more thing, time with my family. Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas.

Maelynn

Dear Santa,

I want hippopotamus for Christmas. A xbox one for Christmas. A durt bike and a helmit. And an electric scooter. A guitar. A new phone.

Merry Christmas, Brandon Baughman

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a kindle fire hd and lot and lots of toys please. I can see you when I go to the mall and on Christmas eve when I wake up thare will be lots of presents for

want a new bike and I have been a good girl this year.

> Love, Halie

P.S. I love you Santa Blackwell Elementary

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie house and Minnie mouse house. Some jumpy frogs, a jingle bell hat with a bell. Some scissors, bracelets, rings, necklaces and earrings. I would like a pink dog and cat, a snowman hat that is soft and pink, a pink turtle that is

Sincerely, Haleigh

Dear Santa,

I would like for Christmas a Barbie vaccum, stuffed penguin, Mrs. Santa Claus clothes.

> Sincerely, Lilee

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa! I like your costume. Can I please have one of those dogs that I can train?

> Sincerely, Tydsley

Dear Santa,

I would like a rocket, a stuffed Santa Clause, a real turtle, and some pencils for Christmas.

> Sincerely, Austin

Dear Santa,

I would like a monster truck, remote control airplane, a big sock to jump in, a tree house, a big train track.



Christmas Decorations! Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose is responsible for the gorgeous lighting on the Courthouse lawn and at the Wilson Bryan Memorial Mini Park. Winners of the RLVP Christmas Decorating contest include: 1st Place, Gonzales Family at 113 W. 4th Street; 2nd Place, Lee Family at 509 W. 9th Street; 3rd Place (tie), Olguin Family at 14 W. 12th Street and Stevens Family at 1102 W. 11th Street.

Dear Santa,

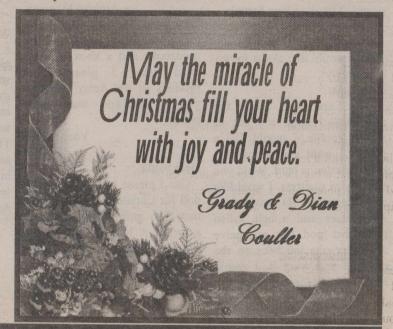
I would like anything you give me. What do your deers like to drink. I would like to know what is in the presents. What does your fire place looks like? Can I have a rainbow so it can be on my Barbie doll house? Where is the north pole and what do the kids do up there?

Sincerely, Emmie

Dear Santa,

I would like a doll house, make-up, a doll, a fake reindeer and some bows for my hair. More food for my play kitchen, a toy dog and fake flowers.

Sincerely, Ashlynn





Hoping that the Light of the World will brighten your path through a blessed new усаг. ROBERT LEE CARE CENTER

I would like a phone, a doll and a reindeer toy. I would also want a princess jacket. like a Santa Clause book. You 'are a great worker. I want an outfit like you.

Sincerely,

Dear Santa,

I would like for Christmas a Barbie doll, Barbie vaccum, a suit case and also a dora Dear Santa, microphone. I want to say would like candy everyday.

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I would like for Christmas a toy phone, toy snowman.

Sincerely,

Dear Santa,

Christmas.

Brynlea

Dear Santa,

I would like a real BB gun, a I want a bratz car and a makeand a real phone and a pirate reindeer. I want a nail spa. ship for my sister.

Sincerely,

Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I love you. How are your wanta a grandma doll. renderes? I have been good. I would like a Rudolph that has the big horns.

Sincerely,

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I would like a pair of shoes please. Santa please could you bring me some jewelry and make-up. Thank you.

Sincerely, Morgan

Dear Santa,

I love you. I would please like a lunchbox. Also a toy. Motrcycle, may I have a toy plal named Dusty?

> Sincerely, Love Arik

Dear Santa,

I love you. I would like please nail polish remover and nail polish. May I have some hair spray for after I take my bath?

> Love, Millie

Dear Santa,

I love you. I would like a Barbie doll. I would like a toy cat. I would like a toy dog. I would like a toy Santa. I would like a toy pig. I would like some makeup.

> Love, Avery

Dear Santa,

I love you. I would like a remote control air plane, please. Mlay my dad and mom have bikes.

> Sincerely, Jacob

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Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I and also a hornet toy and a would like, please a new bow for Santa Claus toy and an elf toy my hair. I would like 2 fairies. I

> Sincerely, Dariea

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? Addison Please bring me what you want me to have.

> Sincerely, Jaxon

I would like please tinkerbell "Thank you for everything" I ball. My daddy like a bear. My mom like a cainrd. Danny like a Sincerely, car. Tony a bed. Taylor novia Ellie Scott like a airplane.

> Sincerely, Rhea

1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a ipod and a toy store Lily set and a kindle and a toy elf and a toy santa and a Scooby doo toy I would like a Barbie, Barbie set and in my stocking some m house, puzzles, and a book for and m's. Any things you want too give me! I am going to put a Sincerely, woot cuces and melc probbley.

Riley

Dear Santa,

tractor with a trailer, a up set. I want a good Christmas. transformer and I also want a I want a pink motorcycle. I want fake gun with batteries and a a pink dirt bike. I want a kindle. fishing pole. I also want a I want a phone. I want a ipod. I helicopter with a remote. I want want a lot of candy. I want a a puppy and a big load of tape teddy bear. I want a real

I love you,

Konner Dear Santa,

I want a Santa doll. I wanta elf and I wanta mama doll and I

> Your friend, Pyeper

Dear Santa,

I want a pink wig, make-up Jessa ipid, I want lipstick and phone.

I love you, Makinzee

I want a Scooby doo ball, phoe, candy land, teddy bear, motor cycle I want a toy elf. I make up set, jaguar costume, princss book, pink crown, toyelf, pink wig.

morning's Toy Run in Coke County.

Your friend, Morgan

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I want a real pet can and dog. I want make-up. I want a real elf. I want toy reindeer I want purple and red and pink dres and a

> Your friend, Lydia

Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike I want a want a toy reindeer.

Your friend,

Bryson 2nd Grade

Christmas Toy Run! Russ Frasier (right), pastor of Forgiven Ministries in both Bronte

and San Angelo, assists Santa Claus (Willie Yell, assistant pastor) during last Saturday

Dear Santa,

I want a mp3 player. And a American doll. For Christmas kinle and a phone. Super duper Nintendo 3ds. A cool candy land. A also me monster high

shelf. A walkie talkie. A cool Bratz doll. A alsome doll house. A coloring book and a play kitten.

> Love, Chevelle M.

Dear Santa,

I like the elf coming to visit us. I know how hard the elf werk. I want a pain guns xbox 360 game candy land bord game and a walke talkie.



We at The Caston Co. LLC APPRECIATE YOUR

BUSINESS and FRIENDSHIP throughout the years!

Our GOAL is to do you the best job possible! If we can be of assistance please let us know!

May you and yours have a very Blessed Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year! Leta, Marty, Employees and families



apato Santa, With Love

Dear Santa,

I super duper want a puppy. And a mp3 player. Plus a walkie talkie. Don't forget that I think you are real.

> Love, Hana

Dear Santa,

I really want a Nintendo 3ds and a lots of toys. Santa thank you for Ely to watch us. How we love Christmas.

Your friend, Austin G.

Dear Santa,

I want a football and walkietalkies. I also want a mp3 player and Scooby doo stuff and a remote control car.

> Your friend, Jaylee

Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike. A remote control enzo farrai car. A toy car. I've been good.

Love, Austin M.

Dear Santa,

I want intendo 3ds, doll, kindle, cand land, walkie talkie, toy elf.

Love, Shelby

3rd Grade

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a tablet, any Wii game, Line Up! Lego star wars, spy gear, tebby bear, lego long ranger, lego city, lego star wars death star, deluxe magic set, and legos (any kind). Can I ask a few questions. Thanks! How long is your beard. Is red your favorite color? That's all and Merry Christmas! Wait! One more thing am I one the nice list?

Your friend, Matthew S. Dear Santa,

This is my list of want I want for Christmas. A lego city and a magic set, Nintendo 3ds, air hog huver ball, hellkopter. How the reindeers doing oh I almost forgot I need earplugs my ears hear from my brother.

Love, Dusty

Dear Santa,

How long is your berd? Wuts your favrit food? Can I have a hive-crawler, skylander swapables, teddy bear, spygear, lego starwars. Death star and galactic titan.

Love, Blane

Dear Santa,

I would like an orbeez luxury spa. And an elf on the shelf. How is Mrs. Santa Claus. And I would like a ipod. And a laptop. And how are you and your elfs. And I would also like a kindle fire. And I would also like lego friends.

Your friend, Luz Cano

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all you have done. What I want for Christmas I want a ipod big toy and a interesting book fire kindle and movies thank you very much for everything you have done by.

Sincerely, Autumn





May your family enjoy a blessed Christmas.

Coke County
Tax Assessor/Collector

Josie & Joe Dean





Christmas Choir! These musical volunteers came together under the direction of Carolyn Long to perform Christmas carols for Robert Lee Christmas festivities.

Pre-School Letter

Dear Santa,

I have been really excited about Christmas this year! I feel confident that I have earned at least one toy with my behavior, and maybe even two toys. This may be the first year I have been able to say that with a strait face.

Here are a few things that are on my Christmas list: the Batcave, games for my leap pad or for the Wii, Ninja Turtle action figures, and the T-Rex Switch-N-Go Dinosaur.

Thanks for thinking of me, Santa, and for remembering all the girls and boys in Robert Lee.

Love, Bryson Crawley (age 4) Merry Christmas
Merle Norman Cosmetics

453-4642

We wish to thank all of our customers for their business this past year. We look forward to serving you in the New Year!

Melvin, Debbie,
Cade, Canyon, Keeli,
Kambri, Evie, & Bronson

NTHE SPIRIT OF GIVING...

We're extending our very best wishes to you and yours for a holiday filled with good friends and cheen.

We're proud to be a part of this fine community and are grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Robert Lee Elementary

Dear Santa,

xbox for Christmas. I hope you let me see the reindeer.

> Merry Christmas, Chris Lofton

Dear Santa,

I would like a toy snowman and My Little Ponies.

> Love you Santa, Amy Gibson

Dear Santa,

I would like a dinosaur and a Santa costume. I would also like a big Superman and a pair of new boots.

> Thank you, Eduardo Ureno

Dear Santa,

I would like a play castle with Barbie dolls. I would also like a Barbie car.

> Love you Santa, McKayla Bachman

Dear Santa,

I would like more Barbie dolls and a Barbie house and Barbie car. Santa, would you please bring my brother a monster truck? Please don't forget my mom and dad.

> Love, Addison Grantham

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie car for my Barbie dolls and a new Barbie house. How is Mrs. Claus?

Merry Christmas, Jayla Corley

Merry Christmas! I would like a brand new pencil sharpener for I want a 4-wheeler and an my mom. I would also like new video games for my Wii. Would you please bring a necklace for my sister? My little brother, Gabriel, wants a new toy.

> Thank you, Zachary Cerritos

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie house for Christmas. I would also like a ring and a swimming pool.

> Love you, Layla Hernandez

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie car for my Barbie dolls and a race car and dirt bike for my brother. My sister would like a new magazine. Also, my brother wants an xbox.

> Thank you, Aidyn Palmer

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie house with new Barbie dolls. I would also like a fish bowl and a real fish.

> Merry Christmas, Lorissa Gonzales

Dear Santa,

I want a robot and a choo-choo

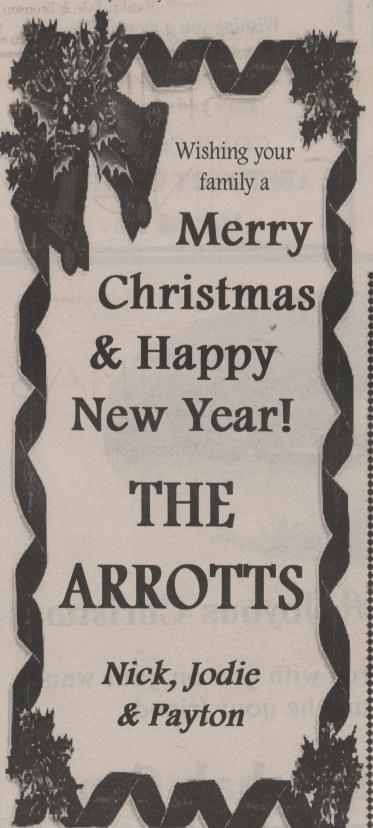
See you soon, **Brody Wilson**

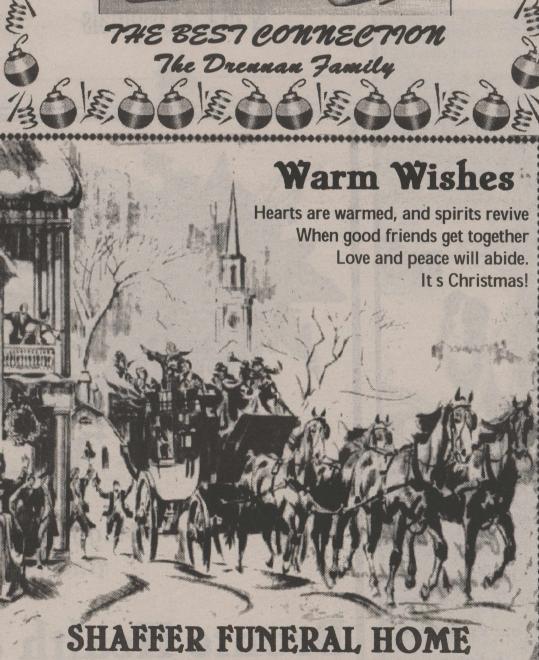
Dear Santa, I want a DS for Christmas. 1

would also like a new Barbie. Thank you, Alyssa Landeros









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Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would like a princess Barbie.

> Love, Makayla Tetherow

Dear Santa,

I would like a microphone, some makeup and some jewelry. I would also like an xbox.

> Love, Kylen Pitcock

Dear Santa,

My name is Dinah. I would like a pool, a DS XL, and an Ipad please. And lots of snow with a sled to ride in the snow.

> Love, **Dinah Gonzales**

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents last year. This year I would like roller skates, water guns, video games, and a desk for homework.

> Love, Kaleb Fitchett

Dear Santa.

I want a flying remote helicopter. I want a soccer ball and Lego Batman Xbox 360 game.

Love, **Edward Samaniego** Dear Santa,

I want a big toy that is the flash costume from Santa. Also I want a big dog and a big trampoline, the big awesome unbreakable toy Mario brother and Sega Genesis.

Love. Max Garcia

Merry Christmas to all my valued clients, family & friends. May the true meaning of Christmas be yours. for the Season! Designs by Toni Toni Rainwater

& Family

Dear Santa,

I want a pink toy horse, all of Rudolph's friends, and a toy of you Santa in a sleigh where you can get on and off. I would also like a new baby doll and a baby cradle, and all the my little pony toys, and a kitty cat bed for my kitten.

> Love, Olivia Gregston

Dear Santa,

I want a Lego marvel avengers game and a Lego batman game.

Carter Fluhmann

Dear Santa,

May I have a tea light? May I have a pretty dress?

> Love, Sofia James

Dear Santa,

I would like a horse and a doll, a new tablet and a scooter.

> Love, **Aubrey Lofton**

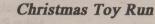
Dear Santa,

I want a green bike, a castle game, and an ipad.

> Love, Dylan Perry

Dear Santa, I would like an xbox, a spider man toy, and a toy story game.

Dalton Abalos



Dear Santa,

I want a pair of high heels. A race car and a Barbie. How are a lego set. Can you get a toy you doing Santa. I hope are good.

> Love, Karmen

for my little sister and my

The toy I want for Christmas is

Dear Santa,

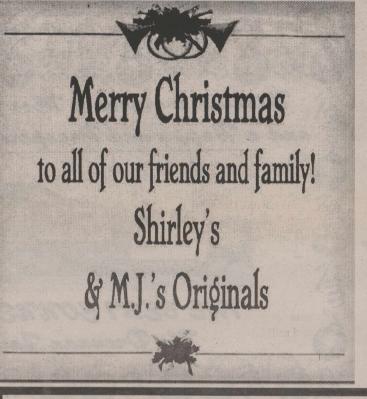
Love, Nathaniel



Wishing you a memorable and merry Christmas. Thanks for the opportunity to know and serve you.

COKE COUNTY ABSTRACT COMPANY

Mike & Kay





Bronte Health & Rehab Center

And Fortung be your friend.

Dear Santa,

I was wanting a horse for Christmas. Also a baby doll.

Dear Santa,

I want a shellraiser and a spiderman.

> Love, Brennen Hood

Dear Santa,

I want lego ninja turtle for Christmas.

Love, Dennis

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll please? Haol are you? Do you like bike, wii, basketball, ipod. cookies?

> Love, Kallie

Dear Santa,

20 mph car, truck trailer with Christmas I want a Bulldog. I lawn mower, boat and dually.

> Love, Kaden

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I have been good this year. Please bring me an orbeez foot have \$50, an xbox, and a toy massager, a Barbie, and a toy puppy. I love you Santa!

Maci Lee

Dear Santa,

I want lip stick for Christmas, and pretty bracelets, strawberry shortcake Barbie, purple skirt, pink wig, a pink hairbow, a blue bike, a Barbie dollhouse, and Barbie dolls.

> Love, Savannah Reyes

Dear Santa,

I want a ballerina outfit. I want ballerina shows with a heart on them.

Dear Santa,

I want a xbox 1, tent, trashcan, Christmas tree, playhouse, air hockey table, goalie pads and helmet, and a trampoline. I have been a very good boy.

Love,

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I want skylanders swapforce and a Love, snowboard. I would also like a Alyssa steer's football jersey, a football necklace and a jacket with a mask hood.

> Love, Brenner

Dear Santa,

I would like a basketball and a football.

> Love, Noah

Dear Santa, I want a fooball game, dirt

> Love, Lucas

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a remote control semi, How is the northpole? For want a gocart. I want a pistol gun too.

> Love. Brewer Hood

Dear Santa,

For Christmas may I please case IH pama?

> Love, Rhett

Dear Santa,

I'm in first grade. May I have a Barbie, and a easy bake oven. I would also like to have a butterfly necklace. Merry Christmas.

> Love, Azaria

Dear Santa,

I want a ipod 5 and a ipad.

Love, Chole Cornejo

Dear Santa,

I would like an xbox one so I can play video games. I would Love, also like a blue with black Lillian bicycle. I would also like blue with green rollar blades.

Love, Mysael

Dear Santa,

I would like a tablet, a foot spa, and a sparkle Elsa doll for Christmas.

Love, Ryen Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. I am in 1st grade. You will find me on the nice list. May I have the xbox 1 and the new Mario game please? I will be at my dads house.

> Love, Gage

Dear Santa,

May I have a dirt car, a helicopter and a xbox 360.

Love,

Dear Santa,

May I have a go cart and a xbox kinect. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas.

Love,

Dear Santa,

May I have an American doll Girl? Santa why do you like cookies and milk?

Love, Khadie Christmas Toy Run

Dear Santa, May I have a xbox 360 and a

minecraft on xbox.

Love, Denver O'Dell

Love, Micah

Merry Christmas

> **Jackie Walker** Justice of the Peace **Precinct 1**

Dear Santa,

I want a train.

The First Baptist Church of Mertzon will be presenting their Christmas Cantata at "Bethlehem Mouning" Pecan Baptist Church Sunday, December 22, at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend and bring their friends and family.

Merry Christmas and God Bless You and Your Family! Thank You for your Patronage! Merry Christmas from Coke County Hardware Donnie, Debbie & Justin We will close Christmas Eve and will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

2nd Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a new ball, and a bike, and a ps2 games, and a I want to see rudolf's hose.

Dear Santa.

A real phone a stuffy a fake dog coopbaker, a fake dog, dolls, monster high dolls, stroller.

Kaydence

Dear Santa,

I would like a nerf gun for Christmas, I would also like a remote control helicopter, battlefield 4, call of duty ghost, and silly string. Stay warm at the North pole. We will leave you cookies.

> Love, Aden

Dear Santa,

For Cesmhes I went a dog howshos that my friend kallie hass and a toy that is sendrwella and the Beg Chary wheth the big kaseul.

> Love, Ariel

Dear Santa,

I would like you to bring Emma a computer. And Jimma a new bike and Cassandra a big huge cake!

Dear Santa,

I would love to have a trampoline. I also want orbee pedicure because it will feel really good on my feet. What I really want the most is to wake up and find a whole bunch of present under the Christmas tree with my family.

> Love, Zoey

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like orbeezs, easy baker, crossbow. I would also like a bike, ipod, karoke machine, one direction fat head. Thank you!

Cloe Minjarez

Dear Santa,

I want a atmosphere aogre approaching intindo three ds also, a playstation 4 also a lava lamp also a guitar thos little guiys that hold hand and fit a polar express toy tran and a snow glob.

Love, Tristan

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus and the rainder and the elvs. I want a airplave and iphone 5 and bbgun and a nurf gun and a new xbox 360 call a duty black cops, gostt Love, and a bike and a eltrik skooter and a poret that talks, at night



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com to my house and get some

Love, Fernando

Dear Santa.

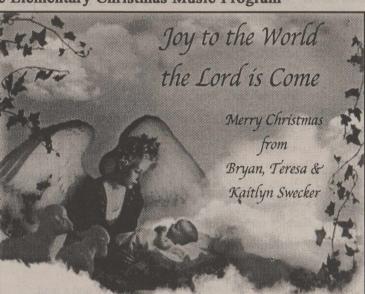
All I want for Christmas is: Legos, rufruf (stuffed animals), new underwhare, nerf gun, seygear. Hex bug, air hoy plune.

Love, Trenton Smith

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like an ipod, pink golf clubs, hello kitty cover for ipod, a Barbie, a Barbie house. The end.

Love, Kailey Jordyn Freeman



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Gene Montgomery Commissioner, Precinct #1





Dear Santa,

tootoo, zoomer the robot.

Brody and I am a boy when you drop it. Dear Santa,

How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I hope to find everyone Dear Santa, in good health. I would like a 22 carefully on Christmas Eve.

Dear Santa,

I want a ipod and a phone touch screen on bouth, and a Zane's perfume. I crème Dear Santa, marker. And a tablet and a zane casue.

Dear Santa,

I wish for a four wheeler and also I want a trampoline and the thing that most of all is night vighingogolls.

Brayden Sherwood

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? Are you getting her somthing good? Are all the elfs busy making gifts for all the good boys and girls? I have been very good this year and would like a mp3 player. And I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love,

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like an ipod with a case and books shoes and clothes and a doggie and steer cheerleading suit, new house shoes. Thank you.

> Love, Kenzie Galicia 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,

How cold is it in the north pole? How are the reindeer doing? My name is Caitlyn. I love rollerskating. I have 2 brothers, 4 dogs, 1 cat, and 1

gold fish. Want to know what I May I have a ride on your want for Christmas. I would like sleigh. May I have a play santa some paint, paint brushes. Since beard. May I have a ballerina my little brother can't ask for anything can you please get him Love, a big squishie ball that lights up

> Sincerely, Caitlyn Cerritos

How do you get stuff free? My and a nerf gun. I have been dog is very bad so is my cat. I good all year. Please be am good at singing, helping, and aiming. I also know Christmas is Love, about Jesus birth. I want for Canyon Moran Christmas a new Halo 2, a wii, and an xbob 1.

> Love, Skyler Horne

How many elves do you have? How are you? I have been good. I might give you cookies or Cassandra Juarez cake! I want a bike a stuffey a ps3 with a game and a ipad.

Ethan Perry

Dear Santa,

How many elves do you have? Do you have any pets? How do you know who celebrates Christmas? I am good at painting. I help others in need

Robert Lee Elementary Christmas Music Program For Christmas I would like a kitten and for my family to be Love, Cambreigh Fluhmann

reindeers? I hope you are ok. How is Mrs. Claus? Do you have any pets? How many elves do you have, I bet you have a lot. I am 9 years old. I have two sisters and 1 brother. I relly like Christmas. I haven't been

perfect but I would say good. For Christmas I don't know what I want. I want a good Christmas with my family and maybe an ipod and a painting kit.

Roxe Rangel



Dear Santa, How are you? How are the RANCH Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Willie & Kim Macon







apato Santa, With Love

Dear Santa.

I want to know how you are doing and how are the reindeer doing. I am dowing good! I would like a nerf gun, iphone, and a basketball for Christmas.

Yor friend, Sean

Dear Santa,

How do you go around the world in one night? How big is your list? How do you do it? Do you have any pets? If you can go around the world in one night you are might. I'm going to lev a present for you at the tree. I just love Christmas. I would like to hav a furby boom.

Emma Service

Dear Santa,

How are the elves doing. How are the reindeer doing. Is any reindeer sick. I have been good this year. My brother has been good to. What I want is for Chrishmas is a telescope, a real horse, a easy bake oven and a mery Christmas.

Love, Presley Oleksik Dear Santa,

I want to know how do you get all the presents to all the people in one night? How do the elves make presents? I am 9 years old and my name is Ryan. I would put a glass of milk and some cookies out for you. I want a Nintendo charger and pokemon xandy. Thank you! Merry Christmas.

Your friend, Ryan Mendoza

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? Is your reindeer doing ok? My name is Brooke. I want a telescope for Christmas. I also want my grandma Mary to visit.

Sincerely,

Brooke Smith

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus and the elvs. Is it cold? I relly want to see you. How are the rainder. My brothr is so notey he pulls my hair. Please put him on the notey list. I want for Christmas is a ipod and a horse. I want a little puppy.

Your friend, Myrka Sosa

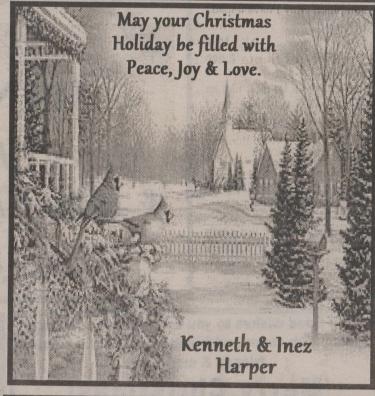




Peace on Earth

Ouring the holiday season, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our success possible. Ot is in this spirit we say thank you and best wishes for the holidays and a happy new year.

Main Street Market









Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose Christmas Activity

Dear Santa,

Claus? I'm Kristen. I'm doing dance this year. Theres only one thing I want for Christmas, and love Christmas-time! thats a kindle.

Dear Santa,

do you get around the world in Santa! one night? How many coockies have to aet? I like to play on the somputer! May I have a ipad.

Your friend, Alex Munoz

Pre-School Santa Letter Dear Santa,

I admit: I'm a talker (at home, in church, in school, and occasionally even in the middle of the night.) That along with



the mischievous look I keep on How are you? How is Mrs. my face might give the wrong impression. However, I really am a very good little girl and

This year my Christmas list is Love, short: I love kitties and dolls, as Kristen Moreno well as Dora the Explorer. Thanks for making Christmas-How are you doing? How time so exciting for kids many elves do you have? How everywhere. Merry Christmas,

> Love Kanyon Crawley (age 2)



Christmas Toy Run

like to wish all of our friends and relatives a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

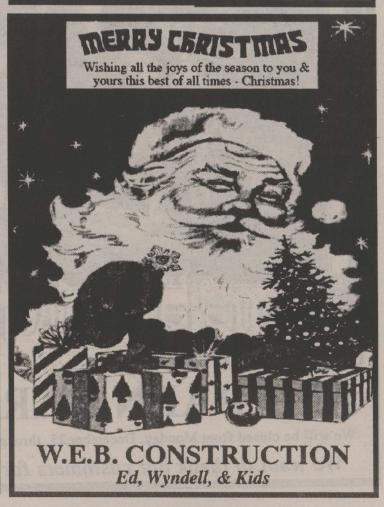




CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24TH.

WE WILL BE OPEN ON CHRISTMAS DAY UNTIL 2 PM.







Robert Lee Elementary Christmas Music Ptrogram





a pa To Santa, With

Dear Slim (my nickname for carefully. Mommy spreads the you),

"World's Best Mommy." It's now. quite official, you know. All three votes were counted

word that I'm stubborn; of all the I am two years, nine months things to say about a charming and nine days old today, little toddler, even though I do December 10. You can call me have a mind of my own. (Some Mya. When we go to see folks refer to this as the grandparents who live out there ""terrible twos".) I had hoped to in the sticks, I promptly say "Do write a bunch more stuff, but it's you have any toys?" I throw a nearly Wednesday and you need ball left handed like Daddy. My this message by Thursday. It's sister, Mars, is the leading getting later and Grand-mom, scorer-time and time again-on with her fractured foot from the her basketball team. And then ice-storm, is getting all tired out. there's Mom, who was voted We'll shut this down. Bye for

Great Blessing Upon You, Mya Hale





Wishing you all the wonder and joy of this blessed season.



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! Marshall & Sheri Millican

Holidays can be Stressful for Seniors: Advice for Caregivers

(StatePoint) The holidays may be filled with joy, but for the ever-growing number of aging Americans and those who care for them this otherwise celebratory season can become mired in challenges.

The stress of visitors, eventful meals, gift giving and social obligations can be overwhelming for anyone, but especially for those juggling busy schedules with caring for an elderly family member.

An estimated 15 million Americans are sandwiched between two generations and working to support both, according to the Pew Research Center. Known as the ""Sandwich Generation," these adults struggle to balance caring for their children and their elderly parents.

"Staying organized is especially important during this time of year to ensure that loved ones aren't ignored in the hustle and bustle of the season," says Mark Armstrong, founder and CEO of ComForcare Senior Services and At Your Side Home Care, an international senior care franchise that provides in-home, non-medical care to seniors and others in need of assistance.

Armstrong is offering some juggling tips for family caregivers:

• Map out doctor's appointments, prescription pickup dates, school holiday pageants and other planned events on a calendar or on your smart phone to avoid double booking and overextending yourself.

• Members of the sandwich generation often feel they don't spend enough time with their children because they're busy caring for their parents and vice versa. Combat this issue with intergenerational activities, such as decorating the home, trimming the tree, planning the menu or wrapping presents.

being for an extended period of time can take its toll on even the most caring and nurturing of people. Don't be afraid to ask for help. It may mean alternating days with a relative or bringing in a professional caregiver.

• Watch out for these red flags that could mean your aging relative is in need of additional assistance: mismatched, wrinkled or soiled clothing, weight loss or gain, trouble remembering names or an unclean home.

· Discuss the possibility of hiring a professional caregiver to relieve some strain on you, especially around the holidays. In the long-term, a caregiver can help your loved one age safely and comfortably in his or her own home, by providing a wide range of non-medical home care services, including help with hairstyling and dressing, incontinence medication reminders, chores and light exercise assistance.

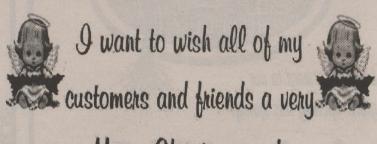
Look for a company that offers a wide range of services 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays. For example, ComForcare Senior Services and At Your Side Home Care develop a customized care plan based on an in-home evaluation by a nurse and provides ongoing training and education to caregivers. More information can be found at www.ComForcare.com or www.AtYourSideHomeCare.com.



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• Even you need some care sometimes! Set aside "me" time every day to do something just for you and you'll be able to return to your caregiving duties refreshed and ready to help.

This holiday season, take the time to address the challenges facing you and your aging loved one



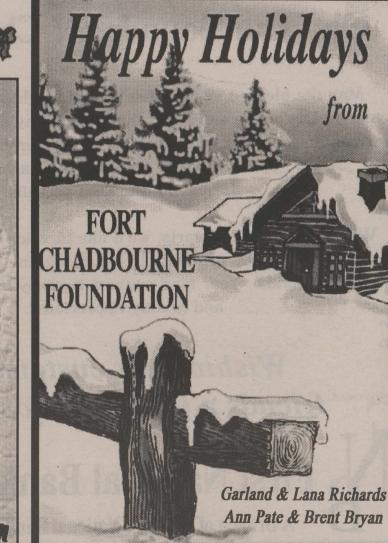
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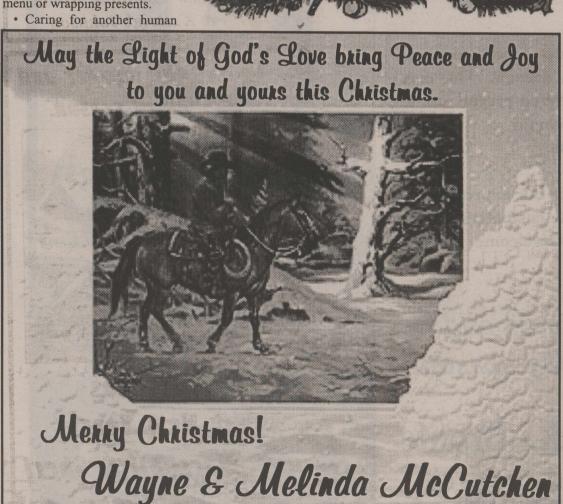
Love,

Donna Hall Shear Heaven Salon









Check Out Coke County Library

The Coke County Library and the Robert Lee City Hall are pleased to have on display Christmas train scenes created dads. The project was a result of the students reading and watching The Polar Express, the Christmas story of a mysterious train headed for the North Pole. dads who are engaged with their more information call 453-2495.

children, and children who are very creative. The collaborative efforts are a sight to see.

Christmas books are waiting by Head Start students and their children and parents getting ready for the Christmas season. Some new Christmas stories and lots of old-time favorites are ready for a reading session.

The Library will be closed on The creative projects speak to December 25, 26, and 27. Fore



Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose Christmas Lighting on Courthouse Lawn





Oh, The Sounds Of Christmas

May the blessed voices of song and laughter echo through your hearts as we enter into this noteworthy season. This is a glorious time of year when feelings of brotherhood prevail and the spirit of peace on earth and harmony throughout the land prevails.

With a song in our hearts, we'd like to voice our expressions of good will and gratitude to our many fine customers and friends. Your kind support is always welcome and greatly appreciated.

> Wishing our customers and friends a joyous holiday season!

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'64 Study Club. winners announced

The '64 Study Club is grateful to those who provided prizes to the annual scholarship fund raiser. An original painting by Pat Stevens, the Christmas wreath by '64 Study Club members, and a gift certificate Walmart/Sam's

contributed to the success of the fundraiser.

Winners during the drawing on Friday, December 6, were Laurie Franklin who won the gift certificate; Della Alexander who won the Christmas wreath; and U.S. Auto Max of Odessa, Texas, won the original oil painting.

Scholarships are given each



Christmas Toy Run

year to Robert Lee high school seniors to continue their The community support for this effort is very much appreciated.

Robert Lee Methodist to hold Christmas **Eve Service**

The First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee will be having their annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on December 24th at 6 pm. Everyone in the community is encouraged to join them for

worship and special music as they celebrate the birth of Christ. The service is casual, so come comfortable and bring all your family and friends. Have a Merry Christmas!

Lady Dogies defeat Blackwell

The Robert Lee Junior High Lady Dogies "A" team defeated Blackwell on the road Monday, December 16, 29-12.

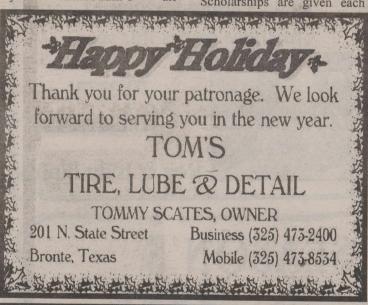
Scoring for the Lady Dogies were Kelby Clawson 2, Kaylee Puentez 4, Megan Grantham 1,

Samantha Roe 6, Kourtney Roach 4, Mariah Munoz 8, Margo Mendoza 4, and Kiara

Dogies fall to Blackwell

The Robert Lee Junior High Dogies "A" team were defeated by Blackwell on the road Monday, December 16, 6-53.

Scoring for the Dogies were AJ Minjarez 2, Daniel Mendoza 2, and Bubba Bohannon 2.



To all of our Friends **Merry Christmas** and a Happy New Year!



Wendell & Jeanna Lee



The Christmas Story

The Birth of Jesus the Messiah Matthew 1:18

This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. 19 Joseph, her fiancé, was a good man and did not want to disgrace her publicly, so he decided to break the engagement[a] quietly.

20 As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream. 'Joseph, son of David," the angel said, 'do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit. 21 And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus,[b] for he will save his people from their sins."

22 All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet:

23 'Look! The virgin will conceive a child!

She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"

24 When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife. 25 But he did not have sexual relations with her until her son was born. And Joseph named him Jesus.

Luke 2:2

(This was the first census

taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.) 3 All returned to their own ancestral towns to register for this census. 4 And because Joseph was a descendant of King David, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, David's ancient home. He traveled there from the village of Nazareth in Galilee. 5 He took with him Mary, his fiancée, who was now obviously pregnant.

6 And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born. 7 She gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them.

The Shepherds and Angels

8 That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. 9 Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, 10 but the angel reassured them. 'Don't



Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year

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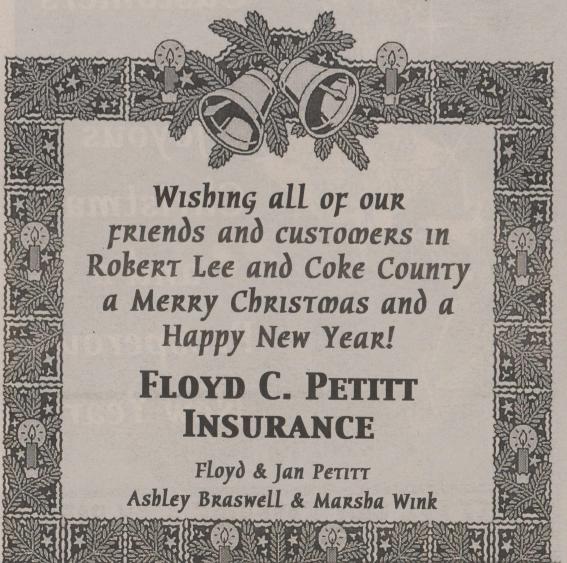
Paul Knight Family

May the meaning of the season be deeper, its friendships stronger, and its hopes brighter as Christmas comes this year



Merry Christmas

Roy & Judy Blair







Savior-yes, the Messiah, the manger."

joined by a vast host of others-the armies of heaven-praising God and saying,

14 'Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth pleased." RR 1911101111 P

returned to heaven, the he was conceived. shepherds said to each other, see this thing that has required by the law of Moses happened, which the Lord after the birth of a child; so has told us about."

be afraid!" he said. 'I bring baby, lying in the manger. 17 you good news that will bring After seeing him, the great joy to all people. 11 The shepherds told everyone what had happened and what the Lord-has been born today in angel had said to them about Bethlehem, the city of David! this child. 18 All who heard 12 And you will recognize the shepherds' storywere him by this sign: You will find astonished, 19 but Mary kept a baby wrapped snugly in all these things in her heart strips of cloth, lying in a and thought about them often. 20 The shepherds went 13 Suddenly, the angel was back to their flocks, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen. It was just as the angel had told them.

Jesus Is Presented in the Temple

21 Eight days later, when the to those with whom God is baby was circumcised, he was named Jesus, the name given 15 When the angels had him by the angel even before

22 Then it was time for their 'Let's go to Bethlehem! Let's purification offering, as his parents took him to 16 They hurried to the Jerusalem to present him to village and found Mary and the Lord. 23 The law of the



dedicated to the Lord."[a] 24 So they offered the sacrifice required in the law of the Lord-'either a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

The Prophecy of Simeon

25 At that time there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon. He was righteous and devout and was eagerly waiting for the Messiah to come and rescue Israel. The Holy Spirit was upon him 26 and had revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Messiah. 27 That day the Spirit led him to the Temple. So when Mary and Joseph came to present the baby Jesus to the Lord as the law required, 28 Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God,

29 'Sovereign Lord, now let

you have promised.

30 I have seen your salvation,

31 which you have prepared for all people.

32 He is a light to reveal

God to the nations, and he is the glory of your people Israel!"

33 Jesus' parents were amazed at what was being said about him.



John & Pat Stephens





Give Your Kids the Gift of a Good Night Sleep This Holiday Season

(StatePoint) When your children have trouble sleeping at night it can be just as tiring for you as for your little ones. And no matter what the source of the issue is, a full night's sleep is important for everybody's physical and mental health.

But during the busy holiday season, unpredictable sleeping schedules and big family gatherings can contribute to poor sleep. Take steps to help children rest better at night this season by trying these sleep tips to make bedtime easier for the whole family:

Stay Active

Don't be afraid to tire children out! When they aren't attending school or their regular activities, they aren't expending as much energy. During the winter break, take long walks or simply visit the park each day for a game of tag, catch or a bike ride.

Keep your kids mentally active, as well. Instead of zoning out in front of the television, encourage them to read, write or paint. A full day of activity means your children will be ready for some shut-eye by bedtime.

Mindful Eating

Everyone knows that caffeine before bedtime is a no-no. While your children are probably not coffee drinkers, don't forget that soda and chocolate contain caffeine too. While it can be tricky to mind one's eating habits during the holidays, try to avoid feeding kids sugary or spicy foods before bedtime, as both can have a tossing and turning effect.

Brighten Up

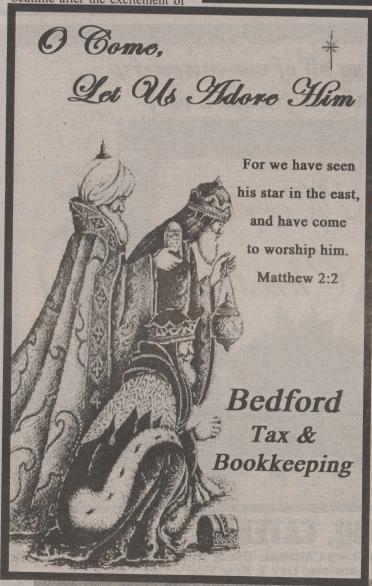
For many kids, settling into bedtime after the excitement of

the holidays can be difficult. Instead of opting for a standard nightlight, try a soft and cuddly option that may make sleeping fun and comforting, even in an unfamiliar place. Conveniently, you can now help remedy your children's sleep issues while traveling during the holidays with a Glow Pet, a loveable and portable light up pet pillow.

"Every child has a favorite bedtime toy, but what's wonderful about Glow Pets is they are so much more than just another stuffed animal," advises Laurie Schacht, Toy Insider Mom. "Glow Pets triple function as nightlight, pillow and friend making it the perfect addition to a child's bedroom, particularly for those kids who have trouble











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sleeping."

For more information, visit www.GlowPets.com.

Rituals

A schedule helps the body. know when to be alert and when to be sleepy. Over the holidays, don't let kids deviate too much from their regular routine.

Nighttime rituals, such as bedtime reading, can help create a sleepy mood at night. Anxieties may make sleep a troublesome prospect for some kids, so another great bedtime ritual is simply spending time talking with your kids each night. This gives them the opportunity to open up and discuss what's bothering

With a few tricks, you can make bedtime more fun for kids.

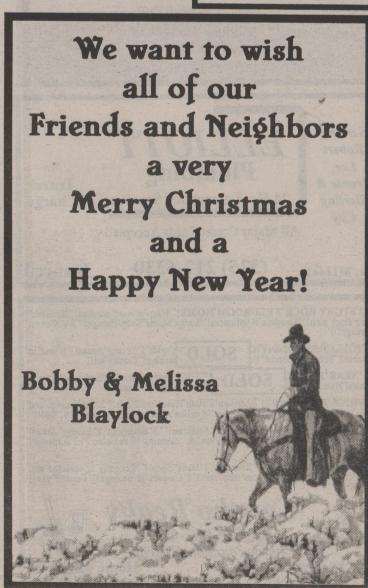
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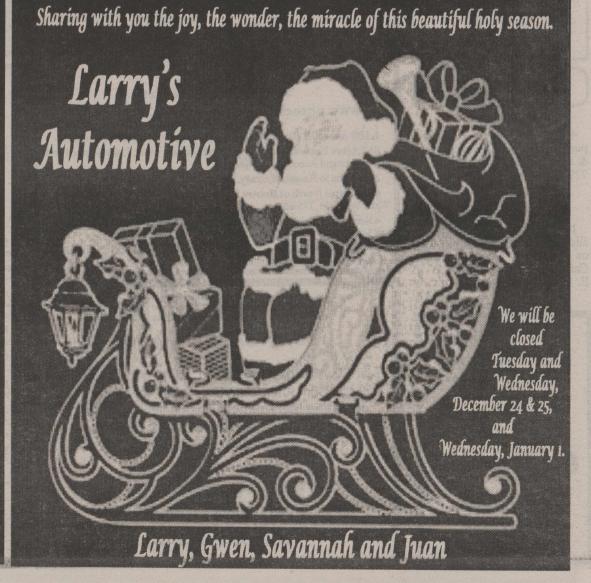




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Patty Percifull and family Steve Floyd and family Mike Floyd and family Extended family of Kitty Floyd

THANK YOU FORGIVEN MINISTRIES & ALL WHO DONATED

I would like to express my gratitude to everyone involved in the "Coke County Toy Run 2013."My girls were so excited to see everyone who came bearing gifts for them. Avary has learned to ride her new bike and Brooklyn loves her dolls and blanket. Thank you so very much to all involved in the event. Your gratitude and love made Christmas possible for my

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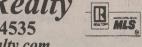
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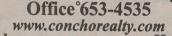
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This Order does not prohibit:

1. common fireworks, small in size classified as C

designed primarily to produce registered voter at time of visible or audible effects by election combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. [TEX. OCC. of Paul Williams and Ray CODE, Chapter 2154].

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this Misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS THE 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013, BY THE COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Roy Blair County Judge Attest: Mary Grim, County/District

ROBERT LEE ISD NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION

Applications for candidates to apply for a position on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees may be picked up at Robert Lee ISD Administration Office beginning Wednesday, January 29, 2014 during the hours of 8:00 am-3:30 pm Monday thru Friday. The deadline for filing a candidate application is Friday, February 28, 2014 at 5:00 pm. Election day will be Saturday, May 10, 2014.

Requirements for filing are that you must have lived in the state for one year and six months in the school district prior to filing, be at least 18 years of age, and be a registered voter at time of election.

Robert Lee ISD will need to elect two places for full three term years. The three year terms of Jeffie Roberts and Irma Torres are expiring. There is also an unexpired three year term with one year left currently held by George Grim that will need to be filled.

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Applications for candidates to apply for a position on Bronte restricted fireworks in the ISD Board of Trustees may be picked up at Superintendent's office beginning Wednesday, January 29, 2014 during the use fireworks classified under hours of 8:00 am-4:00 pm Monday thru Friday. The deadline to file is Friday, February 28, 2014 at 5:00 pm. portion of the unincorporated Election day will be Saturday, May 10, 2014.

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Serving Up Safe Buffets Easy Tips for Food Safety When Entertaining

Adults around a table eating appetizers. Entertaining is one of the mainstays of the holiday season and helps commemorate milestone events throughout the year, too. With proper prep, you can be creative and tempt your party guests with an array of fun platters ... while still keeping food safety in mind!

Plan a "bacteria-free buffet"

with these helpful tips: Size Matters

If you're planning a buffet at home and are not sure how only hold food at 110° F to 120° quickly the food will be eaten, keep buffet serving portions

Prepare a number of small platters and dishes ahead of time, and replace the serving dish with the fresh ones throughout the party.

Store cold back-up dishes in the refrigerator or keep hot dishes in the oven set at 200° F to 250° F prior to serving. This way, your late-arriving guests can enjoy the same appetizing arrangements as the early arrivals.

Table with many different dishes.

Take Temperatures

internal temperature of 140° F or warmer.

chafing dishes, slow cookers, and warming trays.

Be aware that some warmers F, so check the product label to make sure your warmer has the capability to hold foods at 140° or warmer. This is the temperature that's required to keep bacteria at bay!

Chill Out

Cold foods should be kept at 40° F or colder.

Keep cold foods refrigerated until serving time.

If food is going to stay out on the buffet table longer than two hours, place plates of cold food on ice to retain the chill.

Keep It Fresh

Don't add new food to an already-filled serving dish. Instead, replace nearly-empty Hot foods should be kept at an serving dishes with freshlyfilled ones.

Be aware that during the Use a food thermometer to course of the party, bacteria check. Serve or keep food hot in from people's hands can



Happy to See Santa! Little Ellah Halik seems to really have enjoyed her visit with Santa this year. Her parents are Adam and Michele Holik from Wall. Grandparents are Rick and Elena Sanchez from Robert Lee and David and Wanda Holik from Wall. Great-grandparents include Elena Garcia from Wink and Enrique and Antonia Sanchez from Sonora.

contaminate the food. Plus, where the temperature is above temperature.

Watch the Clock

at room temperature for more or are saving them for yourself, than two hours, unless you're leftovers should be refrigerated keeping it hot or cold.

If the buffet is held in a place and/or within two hours!

bacteria can multiply at room 90°F, the safe-holding time is reduced to one hour.

Watch the clock with leftovers, Remember the 2-Hour Rule: too! Whether you're sending Discard any perishables left out "doggie bags" home with guests as soon as guests arrive home

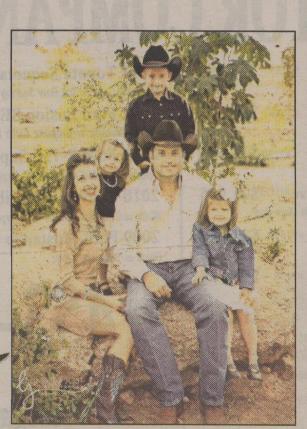


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